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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments in the above identified United States patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT OR RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION--TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. § 1.116) for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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No additional fees for claims required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 06-0540. If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 06-0540.

OTHER

6. Other Enclosures

Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form Power of Attorney by Assignee and Transmittal Letter An acknowledgment postcard

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